started in the States of Uttaranchal, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh and North-East during the year 2001-2002.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Under-utilisarion of funds released under NSDP by Andhra Pradesh

2407. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Government of Andhra Pradesh is spending less than fifty per cent of the funds released under National Slum Development Programme (NSDP) for slum improvement in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the remedial measures Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) No, Sir. Since inception of the Programme an amount of Rs. 11807.89 lakhs as Additional Central Assistance (ACA) has been released so far by the Union Government under National Slum Development Programme (NSDP) to the State Government of Andhra Pradesh and as per information received from State Govt, they have incurred an expenditure of Rs. 7441.00 lakhs so far.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise.

Common Cadre for Department of Publication, Printing and Stationery

2408. VENBLE DHAMMAVIRIYO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any common cadre has been constituted for the three separate Departments *i.e.* Publication. Printing and Stationery;

(b) if so, the number and the date of Government Order;

(c) whether it was decided in 1986 that the Directorate of Printing was not competent authority for appointment of Assistant Controller in the Department of Publication; and

(d) if so, the authority under which transfer orders of Assistant Controller appointed by Controller of Publication are being issued?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) and (b) The Office of the erstwhile Chief Controller of Printing and Stationery was bifurcated in 1973 into three Departments *viz,* Directorate of Printing as an attached office and Government of India Stationery Office and the Department of Publication as subordinate offices. After trifurcation, the common cadre of certain posts continued to remain under the control of Directorate of Printing. This practice has been continuing till now.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. Due to some administrative reasons it was felt that formal appointment order may be issued by the Department of Publication in one individual case in 1986. However, for all purposes, Director of Printing continues to be the cadre controlling authority in the case of Assistant Manager (Administration) in Govt, of India Presses and Assistant Controller (Publication) in the Department of Publication. The officers posted in the Government of India Presses are designated as Assistant Manager (Administrative) whereas those posted in the Department of Publication are designated as Assistant Controller (Publication).

New scheme for voluntary retirement in DDA

2409. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact diat the Delhi Development Authority has evolved a new scheme for voluntary retirement for its serving employees;

(b) if so, the salient features of the scheme;

(c) whether it is different from the VRS, offered by other public sector undertakings; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise in view of (a) above.

Development of plots in Weavers Colony of Ashok Vihar

2410. SHRI ONWARD L. NONGTDU: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state: